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SUBJECT: FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER STRESSES GRAVITY OF
CONCORDE ISSUE

SUMMARY: IN MY INITIAL COURTESY CALL ON FOREIGN
MINISTER DE GUIRINGAUD HE TOOK OCCASION TO STRESS IN
STRONG TERMS THE IMPORTANCE TO BILATERAL RELATIONS OF
A SWIFT, FAVORABLE DECISION ON CONCORDE. END SUMMARY

1. GUIRINGAUD USED MY COURTESY CALL FRIDAY TO STRESS
IMPORTANCE OF CONCORDE AS AN ISSUE WHICH CARRIES
POTENTIAL DEEP REPERCUSSIONS. FRENCH PEOPLE DO NOT
COMPREHEND FEDERAL SYSTEM AND EXPECT TREATIES AND AIR
AGREEMENTS TO BE RECIPROCALLY HONORED, HE SAID. FRENCH
PEOPLE CANNOT UNDERSTAND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S INABILITY
TO OBTAIN FAVORABLE DECISION FOR CONCORDE TEST, AND
GUIRINGAUD NOTED POINTEDLY HIS OWN AWARENESS AS A LONG
TIME RESIDENT OF NEW YORK THAT NEW YORK IS HEAVILY
DEPENDENT ON FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR ITS FISCAL SOLVENCY.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER WARNED ME THAT MY MISSION AND
OBJECTIVES AS NEW AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE COULD BE DAMAGED
UNLESS THERE IS A QUICK, FAVORABLE DECISION ON CONCORDE.
HE POINTED OUT THAT ABSENT SUCH A RESULT, FRENCH PUBLIC
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OPINION WILL DEMAND FRENCH RETALIATION WHICH THE
OPPOSITION, AS WELL AS CHIRAC AND THE GAULLISTS, WILL
SURELY BRING ABOUT THROUGH ATTACKS ON PRESENT GOF. HE
CONCLUDED BY POINTING OUT AIR FRANCE'S 1976 OPERATING
DEFICIT IS RESULT OF UNDER-UTILIZATION OF CONCORDE OWING
TO ITS EXCLUSION FROM NEW YORK, WHICH CONDEMNS THE
AIRCRAFT TO COMMERCIAL FAILURE.

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